Mr. Yusuff Khan.—The trenches round the Fort of the Chikballapur Town are very insanitary and require to be immediately filled up. Many officers who have visited the town have considered this very desirable. But the financial position of the Municipality does not permit the undertaking of such a costly work. Government may, therefore, grant one-half of the amount required for this work, so that the Municipality may be able to contribute the other half and complete the work within a few years. This was also brought to the notice of the Dewan while on tour.

SUBJECT No. 297.

Filling up of the trenches round the Fort of the Chikballapur Town.

Mr. Yusuff Khan, Chikballapur Municipality.

Dewan.—What is the estimated expenditure?

Mr. Yusuff Khan.—It is nearly two lakhs of rupees. The Municipality has passed a resolution to give Rs. 5,000 every year. If the District Board and the Government could each give Rs. 3,000 every year, the work would be completed in twenty years.

Dewan.—It is not possible to hold out any promise.

Mr. Yusuff Khan.—Chikballapur is a populous town and is close to the Nandi Hills which are visited by many officers and others all the year round. Considering its importance, an Assistant Surgeon has been posted to the Local Fund Dispensary in this place. But medicines supplied to this dispensary are too inadequate to meet the requirements of the patients who are very large in number. The dispensary may be converted into a second class one and the supply of medicines increased.

SUBJECT No. 298.

Conversion of the Local Fund Dispensary at Chikballapur into a second class one, and increased upply of medicines there.

Mr. Yusuff Khan, Chikballapur Municipality.

Dewan.—This is generally done on indents sent by the Medical Officer in charge and it is the duty of the Assistant Surgeon in charge to look into this. The Senior Surgeon will be asked to look into the matter.

BANGALORE DISTRICT.

(Nos. 299 to 305.)

Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer.—There is already a railway line from Morappur to Hosur. Only 30 miles of railway has to be constructed from there. The cost of the rails has become less now. There is no necessity for us to get them from England. There is already a proposal to convert the line from Erode to Trichinopoly into a Broad Gauge one. Rails may therefore be had at a cheap cost.

SUBJECT No. 299.

Construction of the Bangalore-Hosur Railway.

Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer, Bangalore City Municipality.

Dewan.—Reply has been given in my opening Address.

Mr. C. Krishna Murthi.—It is desirable that all Civil Courts should be at one place, though not necessarily in the same building. This affords great convenience not only to lawyers but also to clients. This is also helpful to a certain extent to the early disposal of cases by courts. The difficulties which are now being encountered on account of situation of Civil Courts in different places are too many to mention.

SUBJECT No. 300.

Providing separate Law Court buildings.

Mr. C. Krishnamurthi, Law Association, Bangalore.

Dewan.—This question has been discussed by the Law Association and a representation made by them

during their deputation. The matter has been referred to the Chief Court and will be taken up for consideration later on. Orders in the matter will be passed early.

SUBJECT No. 301.

Shifting of the arrack shop in the Mills Road, Cottonpet, to some other locality in the Bangalore City.

Mr. G. Sanjeeviah, Kurubara Sangha, Bangalore City.

Mr. G. Sanjeeviah.—Behind the Mills Road, there is a timber yard and an arrack shop has been opened there notwithstanding the protest against this from the respectable rate-payers of Ranasingpet, Cottonpet and Mills Road. Labour classes, such as, Voddars and Panchamas are living there. As this is in the midst of residential quarters in the City, much trouble is caused to the people living there. There is a Panchama school near the shop. We sent a petition to the President of the Municipal Council and the Licensing Board. The latter replied that the Municipality did it. A petition was also sent to the Excise Commissioner, but no reply has been received. Petitions were also sent to the Dewan, First and Second Members of Council. They referred them to the Revenue Secretary.

Dewan.—The matter will be referred to the Municipality.

Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer.—It need not be referred to them. The Municipality constructed it on the site selected by the Licensing Board. There are only 2,000 people of the labour classes. The residents sent a letter to the Excise Commissioner and to the Deputy Commissioner. It was referred to the Licensing Board. They saw the spot personally and sent the letter on to the Municipality. The arrack shop should not be shifted to any other locality. The Government have already passed orders in the matter on a previous complaint.

Dewan.—It is left to the discretion of the Government and there is no reason why they should not reconsider the matter.

SUBJECT No. 302.

Entrusting the Bangalore City tramway project to a private agency.

Mr. N. V. Narayanamurthi, Arya Vaisya Maha Sabha, Bangalore City.

Mr. N. V. Narayanamurthi.—In view of the present financial stringency and also of the importance and urgency of connecting the extensions of Bangalore City by tramway, Government may entrust the project to a private agency as in the Madras Presidency.

Dewan.—Government will gladly consider the proposal if a syndicate is formed.

SUBJECT No. 303.

Construction of a new building for the A.-V. School at Channapatna.

Mr. Syed Abdur Rasheed, Anjuman-E-Mahdevia, Channapatna.

Mr. Syed Abdul Rasheed.—The present A.-V. School building at Channapatna is in a very bad condition. It cannot withstand the rains. The sanitation is also bad. Hence a new building may be constructed in a better locality.

Dewan.—We will do what we can as far as funds permit.